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The Easter Hope

After the darkness of the winter, as we turn toward the glorious Easter-tide, it seems that we hear anew a voice saying, "The Master is here and He calleth for thee." As we march "toward Calvary" there comes to us a vision of the original Calvary where death and defeat were turned to glorious Life and Victory. What heart-searching this Easter will bring to each one of us! How carefully shall we read and meditate upon the Bible. How deep the fellowship of the candle-lighted communion service! How meaningful will be the observance of the Week of Prayer! How diligently we must go and seek those who are out of Christ and say to them, "The Master is here, and He calleth for thee!" Easter brings the yearly renewal of God's promise to us, "Because I live ye shall live also." Surely we shall go forward in full assurance of faith having in all our hearts the "peace of God that passeth understanding."

Council of Church Women

The first annual assembly of the Oregon State Council of Church Women in Salem on February 18 found many of the women of the Christian Churches in attendance. The Tea at the home of Mrs. Charles A. Sprague was a delightful time of fellowship. In the receiving line were three of our women—Mrs. Grace Hendricks, Mrs. R. M. Day, and Mrs. Nellie Harrison. Our church was also well represented in the new officers selected for the Council with the following chosen: Grace Hendricks, Delegate at large; Mrs. R. M. Day, Chairman of the Committee on the outreach of the Church; Mrs. Nellie Harrison, Auditor; and Mrs. Etta Howard, Chairman of Nominating Committee.

Call to Women

The Atlantic Convention of the United Council of Church Women issued this significant statement:

"In deep penitence for our share in the world's guilt and woe, we call upon the women of the churches to enter with us into the suffering and sacrafices of the human family:

To combat the rising tide of hatred caused by war;

To minister to those suffering from the ravages of war;

To maintain and strengthen the Christian fellowship;

To show friendship and understanding to the men and women in service for the defense of our country;

OREGON MISSIONARY TIDINGS

Mrs. E. F. Leake, Secretary

MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS

To maintain the integrity of the home;

To continue to its fullest degree the on-going ministry of the Church, even to the uttermost parts of the earth;

To consecrate ourselves to the task of building a Democracy at home which recognizes individual worth and strives for justice to all people;

Finally, to dedicate ourselves to the task of demanding of our country that it assume its full responsibility in the days to come in helping to build a world order based on love and justice, without which there can be no enduring peace."

International Convention

The 1942 International Convention, originally scheduled to be held in Oakland, California, August 12-18, has been cancelled, and will be held instead in the civic auditorium in Grand Rapids, Michigan, July 28 to August 2.

Quarterly Reports

This is the month when quarterly reports are sent out and also the month that the Children's Work Bulletin is mailed to 200 children's workers in the state. If you are not receiving the Children's Work Bulletin, and you wish your name to be put on the mailing list write to Mrs. Laura Torgerson, 9003 N. St. Louis St., Portland. Mrs. Torgerson represents both the Women's Board and the Educational Board.

Changes in District Two

The women of the state will be sorry to learn of the illness of Mrs. Ben Johnson, of McMinnville, our enthusiastic and efficient secretary of the Second District. Following a major operation Mrs. Johnson will of necessity be away from the work for several months. During her absence the work will be carried on by Mrs. Kenneth Hendricks, of Yamhill, former president of the State Board. This district reports a new society at Sheridan, and the merging of the Young Matrons and W. M. S. of the Dallas Church.

More World Calls

Mrs. Gertrude Mossberger received a card from Mrs. Phila Murphy, who is doing 25 days of field work in California South, saying that at the last count in January Oregon has 1109 subcriptions. Let's keep sending them in until every church home in Oregon receives this great brotherhood magazine. At any rate, no church officer, Bible School officer, or children's worker, or youth worker should be without it.

A New Group

A fine group of young women of the Sisters Church is meeting to study the missionaries and their friends, and to help with the work. This group, according to D. L. Penhollow, pastor, was encouraged to this action following a meeting held by B. Ross Evans in the church there. What better way is there for constructive work in a world at war than through study and prayer, through worship and work, and through humanitarian service of this great fellowship of church women.

Easter Program Helps

Did Easter surprise you by coming so early? and did you fail to order the free program helps? Drop a card today to Mrs. Leake, who has a limited supply on hand so that you can get them right away. Offering envelopes, the flier "Sacrafice," the Easter Pageant of Worship and the departmental services for the Bible School.

During the District Schools the number of churches sending in Thanksgiving offerings were reported and the matter stressed. We were more than gratified at the fine increase in the number of churches responding this year, just because the women "took it upon themselves" to check with church officers and see that the matter was attended to. Remember that a percentage of the Easter offering is turned toward the support of the Home Mission stations in the United States and Canada, which includes 62 churches, 125 missionaries, 4 schools with an enrollment of 810 students, and 4 institutions including White Swan Mission.

District Conventions

The Women's Board is joining with the State Board in the spring conventions. The district secretaries and the district vice-presidents will work together on the programs. The district secretaries on the Women's Board who will work on these conventions are as follows: District 1 (Portland area), Mrs. Ray T. Bennett; District 2, (McMinnville area), Mrs. Kenneth Hendricks, Yamhill; District 3, Mrs. W. O. Livingstone, Vernonia; District 4, Mrs. O. F. Mick, Albany; District 5 (Eugene area), Mrs. Velma Halderman, Drain; District 6, (southern Oregon), Mrs. Julia Greg-

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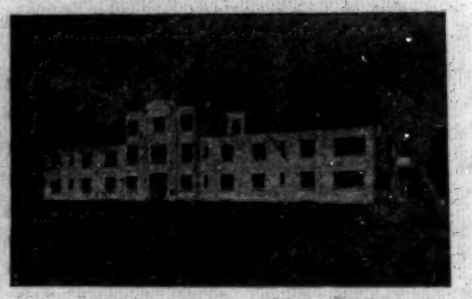

Mrs. Laura K. Hill, Supt.

Take the Elevator

February 2, 1942 is another memorable date in Northwestern Christian Home. That day the elevator began its service, though the contract was let as long ago as September. The elevator is automatic with hyrdaulic lift; and has a car large enough to admit a cot or bed.

More Light

The women of First Church, Yakima, provided money to get a floor lamp for the dining room. This saves the big ceiling lights when corners are a bit dark.

Death Calls Again

Mrs. Clara Lingle died on January 30, 1942. She was born in Ohio, March 29, 1855, and entered the Home in Walla Walla from First Church, Seattle, November 11, 1930. She had been in the Home more than 11 years and had nearly reached the age of 87.

Happy Home Events

In the secluded little world of Northwestern Christian Home small events add much to the pleasure and happiness of life. One regular occasion is the monthly recognition of birthdays for all whose birthdays are in that month. Mr. Eby, who is 82, monopolizes the list for February. He celebrated by treating the family to ice cream. Mrs. Hill added flavor to the day by getting oysters for soup, another unusual treat.

Another rare event is chicken dinner. The family shared funds with each other enough to get chicken for Sunday dinner with the condition that Mrs. Hill would make dumplings to go along.

Such occasions may seem minor matters to the busy world these days; but they are some of the extra touches that help to keep the family happy and make a house a home. High prices severely limit such "extras" and they do not come very often.

Good Offerings

Good gains in the Christmas offerings for benevolence have been made. At best Christmas offerings care for only about half the year. Those churches, which made benevolence a part of the regular budget help very much to stabilize our income over the summer and autumn months. Their help is especially appreciated. May their number increase.

The Church Must Care for its Own

The church has a special obligation to care for its own. Northwestern Christian Home helps to meet part of that obligation. Here is a Home of the Church, maintained by the Church, for members of the Church. It provides more than food and physical care in the equally important needs of Christian fellow-ship and association.—Walter L. Myers.

NORTHWEST CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

K. E. Burke, President

Victory

Through the generosity of many churches and individuals the college was able to make the annual payment on the mortgage on the property. A check for $7,750 was in the hands of those who hold the mortgage on Monday, February 2. Many thanks to all who assisted in this matter.

We are pointing up now to payment day on February 1, 1943. There are many ways in which you can help. First, join the "1,000 Club." The aim of this club is to find 1,000 or more who will give at least $5.00 per year toward paying the property obligation. Second, find others who will join this club. Third help your church to set an aim for the amount of money to be raised for the college. Many churches are setting a goal for themselves of an amount which will be equal to an average of $1.00 per church member. Fourth, send in your own personal contributation, either on the property obligation, or for the general running expenses of the college.

Many friends of the college are urging that a remainder of the college property debt of $50,000 be raised and paid off within the next two years. Such a move would save the brotherhood in the Northwest $9,000 interest, or enough to pay all college salaries for more than a year.

The Preacher's Week

C. M. Ridenour, of Seattle, Washington, was the campus guest of the Preachers association March 3-5. While on the campus he spoke before the Chapel gathering. On Wednesday night a county rally was held at the First Church in Eugene, with Mr. Ridenour giving the address he has used in the present preaching mission. He was guest at a preachers' banquet on Tuesday night, and at the college dining hall Wednesday night. The students kept Mr. Ridenour busy with personal and group conferences.

Field Representative

Mr. Kenneth Johnston, our field representative, has been receiving a most cordial reception in the churches he has visited. We want to thank all of you for this and for the generous support being given. Some unusual examples of giving are being recorded. The Children's Church of Salem First Church has set for itself the goal of raising $1.00 per member for the college. This the children plan to do by self denial and finding jobs which will help them financially.

Talent Groups

Each Lord's Day at least one talent group from the college goes out to serve one or two churches with sacred concert. The Drama Department, under the direction of Mrs. Walter Fiscus, has been presenting a play, "The Fisherman," in several churches near Eugene. Both the talent and play groups have been received with enthusiasm. The College quartet will soon begin visiting churches.

Produce

The contributions of produce, both fresh and canned, which churches have been giving to the college have helped to give board to eight people on the campus. We are grateful for this assistance and want all of you to know that you have helped these eight people besides giving material assistance to the entire college.

Army Chaplains

Eight Northwest Christian College graduates are either now serving as chaplains in the army and navy, or have their applications in for service. At least eight others who are alumni of the college, graduates of Spokane University, or Eugene Bible University, are serving in the same capacity. Our schools of the Northwest are, therefore, making a real contribution to national defense.

A New Church

Through the efforts of Wm. Diehm, Junior in the college, and the evangelistic efforts of Prof. Walter Fiscus, a new church has come into being at Irving. This community was unchurched until Mr. Diehm began services there a year ago.

NINETY AND NINE NEWS

Ray C. Smith, Secretary

Willie White's Schedule

Our evangelist, Willie White, has held good meetings at Creswell and Vaughn, in Lane county, and started at Riddle, Douglas county, on February 24. He goes to The Dalles from March 15 to Easter, and will assist the men of Mid-Columbia District in strengthening their program. The month of April will be spent in Eastern Oregon wnere a series of men's rallies and evangelistic meetings will be held. He expects to open a new work in Douglas county in May and will be with Detroit church in June. In August he will work in the four state boys camps. September is billed for Florence and two meetings will be held in eastern Oregon in the fall. Some time during the summer will also be used in southern Oregon and Coos Bay district. The Whites have been living in a trailer-house wherever their labors have called them but with the opening of the school year Mrs. White and the children will have to settle down. Pray for these good folks as they carry on for us.

Gospel Team Evangelism

The St. Helens Ninety and Nine Fellowship enjoyed a fine meeting on February 13 with Claude Neely as speaker, and music furnished by local High School students. On the 15th the men conducted the evening service with 17 men participating under the direction of Dan Beeler. Dick Wens, an elder, preached the sermon; the testimony service was led by C. C. Anderson; special music was furnished by Russell Baker, Walter Pontius, and Dan Beeler. Pastor Walter Barnes is very happy in the results manifested.

Starting March 1 evangelistic teams of Northwest District will conduct a series of special meetings in this church in cooperation with the local men. The plan is for three teams of four or five men each, led by Lloyd Read, Art Bailey, and Wilbur Abbott, to conduct services on Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights of the first two weeks, and the local church will make calls and hold prayer meetings on Tuesday and each night through the third week.

Attention, Pastors!

The men of your congregation will respond to the right kind of an appeal and evangelistic challenge, but some one must show them the way. That someone is undoubtedly YOU. Don't try to do all the work yourself, then blame someone else for failure to accomplish results. The apostles were "unlearned and ignorant" men, but under right leadership they turned the world upside down. Why not conduct a special class for training MEN to testify, exhort, and preach the living gospel, which can save the world! You can get help if you need it by writing to our evangelistic department, or Cleve Hudson, 706 S. E. Grand Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

Here and There

The Ninety and Nine men's class at Milton will be hosts to the Ninety and Niners of Southwest Washington on Friday, March 6, and an invitation has been extended to Eastern Oregon to meet with them.This should be a great meeting and it is hoped that a large number will attend from Oregon. Joe Jewett is the wide awake pastor of this church.

Walter Wills, superintendent of the Bible School at Carlton, has ordered 20 more New Testaments, and reports that at least 80 per cent of the school bring their Bibles or Testaments with them.

Ralph Sailor is teaching the active men's Bible class at Hermiston during the absence of Brother Rice. He reports an average attendance of 15 and that the men have participated in local benevolent work as well as to ceil the basement of the church with firtex. Cecil Warner is the pastor.

Kern Park men in Portland are sponsoring one Sunday evening service each month and have had as many as 50 men in attendance. They will have charge of two Sunday evening services in March when the pastor, Charles Addleman, will hold a two weeks missionary meeting in a country church.

Verne Kullowatz and Dallas Meserve, of N. C. C., were speakers at the Coos Bay rally at Myrtle Point on February 17. About 80 men and boys were in attendance and it is reported that they were in high spirits as they left the meeting. No banquet was served but ice cream and cookies were provided in "large quantities" after the program. These boys are looking forward to the summer camps with great anticipation.

The "Happy Lads Farm," conducted by the Jessee families and located near Eugene is another Christian benevolent project which is recommended by your state officers as being worthy of the support of Ninety and Niners over the state. Having as its objective the providing of wholesome, Christian environment and care for the boys in need it is natural that such a home should fit in with our other boys program features.

McKenzie District held a rally at Cottage Grove on January 26 with representatives from Creswell, Cottage Grove and Eugene churches. Professor Wm. Siefke brought a challenging and inspiring message (as usual), and J. M. Shelley, of Fairmount church, was chosen as pastor advisor. The next rally will be held March 30.

Douglas county men met at Roseberg on February 3 with Ingvwald Nelson, of Drain, as the guest speaker. Each church in the district will have a committee to promote attendance at the Fir Point Boys Camp. A large kettle has been bought and sent to the Eugene Mission, and at the March rally there will be a shower of silverware also for the mission. H. B. Church is president, and E. Snodgrass, Secretary.

Windshield Stickers

For your car (if you still drive it), or to be used in many other ways to advertise our movement, are now available. They are an enlarged copy of our Ninety and Nine emblem, 8 inches in diameter, printed in blue on "golden-rod" paper, very attractive and distinctive. Send for a supply for your class or group, 45c per hundred, postpaid.

Eugene Gospel Mission

Medford Jones, superintendent of the Gospel Mission at Eugene, has issued a very fine report of the first year of this project sponsored by the students and faculty of N. C. C. The report reads: "The Lord has supplied our every need during the past year. All bills are paid. More than 68 men have made a public stand for Christ. Food has been served every night. Many have received clothing. The attendance has averaged about 1,400 per month." An expression of thanks to those who have made this possible through prayer and contribution is made by Jess Johnson, chairman of the committee, who also states that the future purpose of the missions includes the following: Make entrance into the migrant camps; strengthen the work being done in the N. Y. A. camp; carry on work at the county farm; endeavor to reach many local rooming and boarding houses; to open a work for the army men in the local vicinity.

Boys Camp

Plans for the summer Boys Camps are shaping up in spite of the unsettled conditions brought on by the war, and Lloyd Arnett, state boys committee chairman, announces the following schedule:

Two camps at Turner, July 27-August 3, and August 3-10.

Southern Oregon Camp at Fir Point, August 9-16.

Eastern Oregon Camp, at Anthony Lake, August 18-26.

These dates should be kept open and arrangements made to send as many boys as possible to the camp nearest you.

STATE MISSIONS

C. F. Swander, Secretary

THE PERMANENT FUND

(Continued from last month)

Churches it has Helped

The Permanent Fund has assisted in 17 different projects, as follows:

Newport, purchased the Baptist building. It has been repaid with interest and the church saved from death.

North Bend, two loans. The first was to pay floating indebtedness; the second was to enable them to build their present house. Without it the building would have been impossible and the church would have succumbed. The first loan has been repaid, the second one pending.

Oregon City, to pay floating indebtedness. It has been repaid.

Redmond, to build a house of worship. They have confessed that the loan saved the life of the church. It is still pending.

Multnomah, to build a house of worship. This loan is still pending.

St. Helens, to redeem a mortgage foreclosure. The church would not have survived without it. The loan has been repaid.

Rockaway, to pay a very urgent indebtedness. It has been repaid.

Ontario, two loans. The first was to buy the Methodist church house. The second was to assist in erecting a parsonage. These loans are both repaid.

Sellwood, to pay back obligations. That has been repaid.

Hood River Valley, two loans, both for repairs and improvements on their building. Both loans are fully paid.

Hermiston, to build a church house. This loan is yet pending.

Willamina, to build a house of worship. This loan is still pending.

Nyssa, to purchase the Nazarene building. This loan is still pending.

Improvements on the grounds at Turner have required two loans. The first has been rapaid and a portion of the second is still pending. It will be paid just the same as loans to churches.

Assets

The assets in the Permanent Fund (Feb. 24, 1942) amount to $10,619.14. There is no questionable paper in this amount. The fund grows (1) from interest earnings; (2) from gifts of interested friends; (3) from bequests; and (4) from trust funds. Under certain conditions these trust funds may be recurnable, but they are not sufficient to endanger the fund if all should be recalled. In the last few days a bequest of $500 was received from the estate of Mrs. Mary B. Todd. We do not hesitate to ask our brethren to remember the Permanent Fund in their wills, or in any of the above mentioned ways For further information write to C. F. Swander, 307 Panama Building, Portland, Oregon.

Christian Indoctrination

Christian indoctrination is one of the goals on both the United Christian Education Advance and the Oregon Centennial Program. To achieve this goal we should encourage our people to read the Bible, to study its great doctrines, and to take and read our national church papers. Ministers can ably help by presenting a number of sermons on the Restoration Movement. A suggested series might be, "Causes men and doctrines of the Restoration Movement." We must remember that our plea for restoration requires indoctrination.—Len B. Fishback.

The Living Church

This is the name of the program from Easter to Pentecost, and is a companion to "On To Calvary," the program that leads up to Easter. Any church that will use it may have it by sending a post card to the state office A Methodist preacher has sent for it. Will you?

Conventions

The State Convention date is fixed at June 22-28. We are happy to announce the guest speaker as Raphael H. Miller, recently pastor of the National City Church, Washington, D. C., now editor of the Christian Evangelist.

Our spring district conventions will be held as follows:

S. W. District, Grants Pass, April 13.

So. Central, District, Springfield, April 14.

Willamette District, Albany, April 15.

N. W. District, Kern Park, Portland, April 16.

Mt. Hood District, Wasco, May 4.

E. O. District, Pendleton, May 5-6.

Clip these dates and keep them for handy reference. You may attend where it is the most convenient. But attend one. A good program in each is being prepared jointly between the State Board and the Women's Board.

Year Book

We have one year book left in the office. It sells for 50c to any one whose church gave as much as $5.00 last year to Unified Promotion; to others, $1.00.

State Offerings

(February 1-26)

CHURCHES: Corvallis, $7.02; Eugene First, $118.20; Falls City, $3.00; Kern Park (Portland), $10.83; Klamath Falls, $1.50; LaGrande, $50.00; Mallory Avenue (Portland), $15.62; Monmouth, $21.97; Nyssa, $2.00; Ontario, $2.50; Roseburg, $2.44; Salem First, $20.80; St. Johns (Portland), $7.50; St. Helens, $10.00; Tillamook, $11.82; Yamhill, $2.50.

SCHOOLS: Mallory Avenue (Portland), $2.14; Ontario, $1.00.

INDIVIDUALS: Mrs. A. M. Peterson, $5.00; The Tan-Ditters, $2.00; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Goode, $2.00; R. L. Dunn, $7.50.

MISCELLANEOUS: Cottage Grove women, $13.50; Loyal women, Lebanon, $5.00; Bereans, Lebanon, $10.00; Mission Society, St. Helens, $3.52.

PERMANENT FUND: Interest earnings, $13.82; Principal, $36.18; Proceeds of sale of Church building at Flora, (in trust), $30.00

There is a slight up trend in state missions just now. Let's keep it that way. If you have not yet sent an offering do it now.

Church News

PULPIT CHANGES: John Barney has resigned Roseburg for a chaplaincy. Len B. Fishback will leave Baker after Easter for Roseburg. N. J. Reasoner has resigned at Canby, and Geo. Harris Hatch at Dayton. Both these men are available for other pulpits.

Additions: 4 added at Portland Central February 1; Claude Neely, pastor. 3 baptized and 1 by statement at Mill City in January; W. S. Crocket doing fine work as pastor. Guy Armstrong baptized 2 at Mill City on February 15; Brother Armstrong doing fine work at Detroit. 6 baptized at Carlton on February 15; Eldon Wood reports. Adrian Sias held a meeting at Elmira; 3 added at last report.

CHURCH ACTIVITY: Harrisburg observed the brotherhood dinner on January 21; an all year calling program instituted; 36 men and 17 boys at Father and Son banquet; needed repairs to the building; in "Toward Calvary" program; Wm. Siefke, pastor. Yamhill and Carlton churches exchanged meetings, pastors Wood and Hendricks doing the preaching. Redmond has given O. W. Jones an indefinite call with increase in salary. Englewood (Portland) is in a series of meeting with Alton Brostrom, pastor, preaching, and neighboring churches furnishing the music.

PERSONALS: Gilbert Cays held a successful meeting at Alberta (Portland) during February; Francis Winder, pastor. Elery Parish spent February in a meeting in Sanger, California; Orville Mick, Albany, enjoyed a severe attack of flu in January; Willard M. Wickizer, General Secretary of the Home Missions Department, spent a day with the state secretary in February.

Oregon Missionary Tidings

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ory, Medford; Eastern Oregon, Mrs. R. J. Kitchin, LaGrande. Mrs. Mick and Mrs. Hendricks will work together with Mr. Lyman in the Albany district as the State Board districts are not the same as the Women's.